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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

It is respectfully requested that an extension of time be granted for the period of two (2) months up to and including March 22, 2004 (the first business day after March 20, which was a Saturday) for the above identified patent application pursuant to 37 CFR 1.17(a). This extension is being requested because additional time was needed to communicate with our client after

receipt of the Office Action to obtain approval to file a Request for Continued Examination. The Request for Continued Examination and Amendment was filed today, March 22, 2004 in order to be co-pending with the above-identified parent application serial No. 09/934,127. A copy of this Request for Extension of Time is being included in the filing of the Request for Continued Examination and Amendment. Please deduct from our Deposit Account No. 23-0830 the amount of \$210.00 for the two-month extension.

If there are any other fees incurred by this Amendment Letter, please deduct them from our Deposit Account No. 23-0830.

Respectfully submitted,



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